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IN THE CLAIMS:

1-6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended): A truck tractor comprising:

a frame;

a cab supported suspended on the frame; and

a fuel tank joined to and forming the bottom of the cab, the fuel tank including,

a cab floor having a bottom surface forming the top of the fuel tank,

a tank pan attached to the bottom surface of the cab floor, the tank pan including a plurality of depressions defined by dikes and a perimeter pan wall, channels interconnecting the depressions and a drain from one of the depressions;

a perimeter wall defining the outer rim of the tank pan, the perimeter wall having a flanged upper surface for bonding to the undersurface of the cab floor; and

the dikes supporting the undersurface of the cab floor being arranged in a bidirectional pattern thereby providing rigidity to the cab floor and arranged to provide mounting points for furnishings to be installed in the cab.

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8. (Canceled): The truck tractor as set forth in claim 7, further comprising:

a perimeter wall defining the outer rim of the pan, the perimeter wall having a flanged upper surface for bonding to the undersurface of the cab floor; and

the dikes supporting the undersurface of the cab floor to provide rigidity to the cab floor, the dikes being arranged in a pattern to provide mounting points for accessories in the cab.

9. (Currently amended): The truck tractor as set forth in claim 7 8, further comprising:

bracing elements disposed under the dikes.

10. (Currently amended): The truck tractor as set forth in claim 9, further comprising:

a plurality of foam fillers, one disposed in each depression of the tank pan.

11. (Original): The truck tractor as set forth in claim 10, further comprising:

a plurality of interconnections between the depressions through the dikes.

12. (Original): The truck tractor as set forth in claim 11, further comprising:

a drain from a lowest one of the depressions.

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13. (Currently Amended): The truck tractor as set forth in claim 12, wherein the tank pan is tilted to place the lowest point adjacent one of the leading edge and the trailing edge.

14. (Currently amended): The truck tractor as set forth in claim 13, further comprising:

openings through the leading portion of the cab floor and the tank pan.

15. (Currently amended): A vehicle substructure comprising:

a floor section;

a support frame disposed beneath and adjacent to the floor section, the support frame including a stamping stamped pan having a raised, rectangular perimeter wall with an upper edge in contact with the floor section and defining a plurality of integral support ribs within the raised, rectangular perimeter wall each of which integral support ribs is are orthogonal with respect to a side thereof; of the perimeter wall and which brace the floor section and which are located for support of and allow attachment of permanent furnishings to be installed in the cab;

reservoirs formed in the stamping stamped pan between and defined by the support ribs, and the raised, rectangular perimeter wall and a base from which the raised, rectangular perimeter wall and the ribs rise; and

channels through the dikes support ribs interconnecting the reservoirs.

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16. (original): The vehicle substructure as set forth in claim 15, further comprising:

a drain from one of the reservoirs; and

a return line into one of the reservoirs.

17. (original): The vehicle substructure as set forth in claim 16, further comprising:

foam inserts in each of the reservoirs.

18. (Currently amended): The vehicle substructure as set forth in claim 17, further comprising:

reinforcing brackets welded under the stamped pan stamping into the support ribs.